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MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF CHARITABLE GAMING
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Thursday, June 7, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room B , second floor of the Cannon Building
APPROVED:	July 5, 2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Scott Angelucci, Chairman, Public Member
James Greene, DE Volunteer Fireman's Association Member
Deborah Messina, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Sharon McDowell, Vice Chair, Public Member
Janet Williams-Coger, Non-Profit Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Robert Willard, Deputy Attorney General
Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III
Jean Betley, Lead Investigator
Christine Mast, Administrative Specialist II

ALSO PRESENT

Jack Vogel, Harrington Fire Company
Frank Long, Midway Lions Clubs
Kathy King, Dover Elks
Charma Bell, The First Tee of Delaware

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Angelucci called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of May 3, 2012. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Mr. Greene, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Final Denials - None

Re-Review of Contingent Approvals and PTD Applications - None

Rules and Regulations Public Hearing Scheduled for July 5, 2012, at 1:10 p.m.

Mr. Angelucci stated that public hearing has been scheduled during the July 5, 2012 Board meeting in order to receive public comment regarding the Board's proposed amendments to its Rules and Regulations.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Session - None

Board Member Reports

Ms. Messina stated that HB 356 was reviewed by the House Sunset Committee and released from them and is on the House agenda for today. If released from the House it will go to the Senate and if they don't have any questions and pass the bill it will go to the Governor for signature. The Board has taken the 3 pieces of their code and combining them to make it easier to understand and read. The Board is making the changes to help the organizations. One thing that is changing is the time for Bingo Games to start at 12:00 p.m.

Ms. Messina wanted to bring up a reminder that the Board look into Bingo Mania. Ms. Messina has researched some of the surrounding states and she thinks this could benefit our charitable organizations and bring more money. This should be put on the Board's to do list.

Review of Correspondence from Licensees Regarding Membership Lists

VFW Rehoboth Beach Auxiliary Post 7447

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 17

The Board reviewed correspondence from the VFW Rehoboth Beach Auxiliary Post 7447 and the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 17 stating that each organization's bylaws prohibit the groups from posting their membership lists as the Board's Rules require. Mr. Willard stated in rule 2.0 it reads that the list is to be made available at all times for inspections. Ms. Messina stated it doesn't have to be hanging on the wall just made available if needed. The Board is not asking them to post their list for the public just have it available when the inspectors need it for reference. The list doesn't need to be changed only when adding or deleting members. The list is not used for any other purposed than for a reference for the inspectors. Mr. Angelucci would like a letter sent to the VFW Rehoboth Beach Auxiliary Post 7447 and the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 17 clarifying that the list of members are not for the public or for anyone seeking personal information. The list is only used for the purpose of the gaming inspectors and only needed when an inspector is looking for a reference to members of their organization. This list is not being shared and we are not taking the list and using for any other purpose than stated in rule 2.0. Ms. Wagner will send the letters to the organizations mentioned above.

Delegation of Authority

Delaware Veterans Post 2

Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to ratify delegation of authority for the Delaware Veterans Post 2. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Applications for Texas Hold'Em Tournaments - None

Review of Applications for Charitable Gaming Events

Contact Lifeline, Inc. (1st time app)

Mr. Angelucci reviewed the application. Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to approve the first-time charitable games application of Contact Lifeline, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Applications for Instant Bingo Events - None

Review of Applications for Bingo Events - None

Review of Applications for Raffles

Urban Youth Golf Program Association dba The First Tee of Delaware (1st time raffle)

Mr. Angelucci reviewed the application. Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to approve the first-time raffle application of Urban Youth Golf Program Association. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Requests to Amend Previously Approved Event

Pot Nets Homeowners Association (date change – typo)

The Board reviewed an email from Pot Nets Homeowners Association requesting to change the date of a permitted event. Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to approve the date change request. The motion carried unanimously.

Inclement Weather/State of Emergency Requests - None

Approval of Licensure List

Ms. Messina read aloud the raffle licensure list. Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to approve the raffle application of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Charitable Gaming Event Permits Issued

Ms. Messina read aloud the charitable gaming ratification list. Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to ratify the charitable gaming licensure of Newark Senior Center, Knights of Columbus – Christopher Columbus Council, Cape Henlopen Senior Center, Debra L. Sipple Memorial Fund, CAMP Rehoboth, American Legion Auxiliary Unit 17, Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 10, St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Delaware Warriors Travel Baseball Club, Lewes Little League, Big Brothers Big Sisters of DE, VFW Post 7447 Ladies Auxiliary, Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary, Metropolitan Community Church, Delaware Center for the Inland Bays, Cancer Support Community Delaware, Knights of Columbus Father Vincent Capodanno 2413, Rehoboth Beach Main Street, Homeless Cat Helpers, and Just Us. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Bingo Event Permits Issued

Ms. Messina read aloud the bingo ratification list. Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to ratify the bingo licensure of New Candlelight Theater, Lewes Senior Center, Alzheimer's Association, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Delaware Seaside Railroad Club, Camden Wyoming Fire Company, Nur Shriners Temple, Indian River Volunteer Fire Company, Delmar Band Parents Association, Seaford Elks Lodge 2458, Pot Nets Homeowners Association, Delaware Pride, Cape Henlopen Elks, and Del Vets Post 2. The motion carried unanimously.

Hearings/Consent Agreements - None

Complaint Assignment and Status

Complaint 22-06-12 Assigned to Mr. Angelucci

Complaint 22-07-12 Assigned to Ms. Williams-Coger

Mr. Angelucci reported the Board assignments of the above listed complaints.

Inspection Reports

Delaware HIV Consortium

The Board reviewed the Inspection Report of Delaware HIV Consortium. Mr. Angelucci stated that Delaware HIV had 2 violations and summarized the violation for the public.

Delmar Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary

The Board reviewed the Inspection Report of Delmar Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary. Mr. Angelucci stated that Delmar Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary had 2 violations and summarized the violation for the public. Ms. Messina stated that the violation for the value of the prizes is not a violation. Delmar Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary only has 1 violation. Ms. Messina said that the Board has discussed the issue of prize amounts and the value of prizes and the Board has always accepted the amount they paid for them items and prize amounts when it comes to Longaberger Baskets and Pampered Chef, because a lot of time the members are distributors. If the Board made them use the value of these items the organizations would always go over their allowable amount. On the applications the organizations have to put the amount they paid for the items not the value of them. Ms. Betley asked the Board about donated items. The actual rule says no prize in amount of

over \$250.00. The Board has always said that the use of common sense has to be used with it comes to donated items. Mr. Greene said if someone donated a big flat screen TV then we all know that would be over the allowable limit. Ms. Messina said anything within reason the Board allows. Ms. Betley asked the Board if they would want to see all applications that had Coach Purses and wallets. The Board said that they wouldn't want to look at applications like that unless the staff thought something looked odd and needed to be reviewed.

Fraternal Order of Police Sussex County Lodge #9

The Board reviewed the Inspection Report of Fraternal Order of Police Sussex County Lodge #9. Mr. Angelucci stated that Fraternal Order of Police Sussex County Lodge #9 had 4 violations and summarized the violation for the public.

KOC – Christopher Council #3182

The Board reviewed the Inspection Report of KOC – Christopher Council #3182. Mr. Angelucci stated that KOC – Christopher Council #3182 had 2 violations and summarized the violation for the public.

Ministry of Caring

The Board reviewed the Inspection Report of Ministry of Caring. Mr. Angelucci stated that Ministry of Caring had 1 violation and summarized the violation for the public.

Newark Elks Lodge #2281

The Board reviewed the Inspection Report of Newark Elks Lodge #2281. Mr. Angelucci stated that Newark Elks Lodge #2281 had 2 violations and summarized the violation for the public.

Walter L. Fox Post #2

The Board reviewed the Inspection Report of Walter L. Fox Post #2. Mr. Angelucci stated that Walter L. Fox Post #2 had 3 violations and summarized the violation for the public.

Discussion of the "Value" of prizes

The discussion for the "value" of prizes was discussed above under Inspection Report Delmar Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary.

Discussion of Letter from Debra L. Sipple

Mr. Angelucci read the letter from Mr. Woodland. Mr. Woodland would like to see the poker limit buy in changed to \$200.00. The amount of \$150.00 has been around forever and organizations would like to be able to make more money.

Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to update the Law to raise the poker limit buy in. After further discussion the Board decided it would be a good idea not to mention money amounts for any the events. This change would be something that will need to be addressed at next year's legislation session. Mr. Willard stated that the Board could just put in the Statute that the Board has the authority to change the money amounts for any event periodically. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Wagner will add this to a list for the Board, so that the Board can remember to work on this for next year's legislation session.

Mr. Willard wanted to talk about one of the rules the Board recently made and had published in May. The new rules have not been published in the June registry like they should have been. Ms. Messina will check with Jeff Hague to find out why the new rules were not posted.

Discussion of the IRS Letter for the International Association of Lions Clubs

Mr. Angelucci stated that there was some confusion about their IRS non-profit status and that has been cleared up now and their status is in order. Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to pass the International Association of Lions Clubs IRS status. The motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

There was no other business before the Board for this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. King asked Ms. Wagner about the Dover Elks and their bingo application submitted. Ms. King stated that they haven't heard anything from us and was wondering if the hold up was due to an inspection that they had. Ms. Wagner looked in the Division's licensing system and let Ms. King know that the application had just been entered today. Ms. Wagner said this will get reviewed by next week.

Ms. Bell thanked the Board for approving the raffle for the Urban Youth Golf/The First Tee of Delaware.

Mr. Vogel asked that when the inspectors come do they want to see the whole list of everyone that is a member of the Fire Company. Mr. Vogel said that this have members that are for the kitchen help, fireman, and bingo players. Greene said the inspectors are more interested in seeing the list for the Firemen that run the events not everyone that is a member.

Mr. Vogel asked about the survey that was sent out and was wondering if this was sent by the Board. Ms. Wagner and Ms. Messina told Mr. Vogel that the Director of the Division was behind sending out the survey. Ms. Messina stated that Mr. Collins sent the survey out to all Boards and Commissions under the Division. Mr. Vogel asked if the inspectors would be back around to inspect all organizations again. Mr. Vogel stated that there are several organizations that haven't changed, not one ounce. Ms. Messina said that the inspectors will be around randomly inspecting. Mr. Greene said that they can't get to all organizations all the time, but in time they will be inspected. Mr. Willard said once the organizations start having 2 or 3 violations past the grace period and they will start getting charged and punished things will change. The Board only allowed a 6 month grace period. Ms. Betley said the law states that when the inspectors find violations and organizations receive letters of concern the organizations are only allowed 3 in one year and if they have more they will not be able to hold events. The Board discussed that there wasn't a 6 month grace period that the grace period was after the organizations 1st inspection was given, but future events can be sent letters of concern especially if they receive the same violations. The Board can determine if the violation is worthy of the letter of concern or not depending on what the violations are.

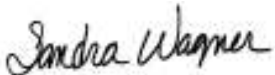
NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting is July 5, 2012 at 1:00 p.m., at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building, Conference Room B, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Mr. Greene made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to adjourn the meeting at 1:53 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,



Sandra Wagner
Administrative Specialist III

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.